s17 Geometric Series Exam (Practice v45)

Question 1

Consider the partial geometric series represented below with first term a = 583, common ratio $r = \left(\frac{7}{11}\right)^{1/10}$, and n = 10 terms.

$$S = 583 + 557.24 + 532.61 + 509.07 + 486.58 + 465.07 + 444.52 + 424.88 + 406.1 + 388.15$$

We can multiply both sides by r.

$$rS = 557.24 + 532.61 + 509.07 + 486.58 + 465.07 + 444.52 + 424.88 + 406.1 + 388.15 + 371$$

What is the value of S - rS?

Question 2

Consider the geometric series shown below, using ellipsis notation to indicate a continuation of the pattern without writing every term.

$$S = 5 + 5(4) + 5(4)^{2} + 5(4)^{3} + \cdots + 5(4)^{75} + 5(4)^{76} + 5(4)^{77} + 5(4)^{78}$$

Identify the initial term, the common ratio, and the number of terms.

Question 3

Write a proof for the partial geometric series formula.

- a. Define the variables.
- b. Write the sum using variables and ellipsis notation. You can implicitly assume the number of terms is more than the number of terms you choose to write.
- c. Using annotated algebraic manipulation, produce the partial geometric series formula.